

A's Sign Cougar ~~young~~ 15 1969 All-Star

Robert Williams, a college All-American catcher this season, and two other players have signed contracts with the Oakland Athletics, the club announced yesterday.

The others are Tom Sandt, an 18-year-old shortstop and the A's second round draft pick, and Mike Marostica, a Cal Poly San Luis Obispo centerfielder, who signed as a free agent.

Williams, 21, was drafted fourth by the Athletics. He's from Medford, Ore., and is attending Washington State University where he hit .318 this season.

Yesterday he was named to the 10-man All-American team picked by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

Williams also is on the all-Pacific 8 and all-District 8 teams.

Sandt was an all-league shortstop for three straight years at Pacifica High in Garden Grove, Calif. A switch-hitter, he batted .444 this season. He committed only one error.

Marostica, 21, is a lefthander all the way and hit .363 for Cal Poly.

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The Oakland Athletics have announced the signing of four players, all of whom will be sent to minor league farm teams for seasoning.

Signed at a "substantial bonus" was Bill Fitzgerald, Tulane University catcher who was the A's first selection in the secondary phase of the draft. The 22-year-old 6-foot-4, 190-pounder batted .350 his senior year and was named the team's most valuable player.

He has been assigned to Birmingham of the AA Southern League, where former major league backstop Gus Niarhos is the manager.

Southpaw Russ Almquist, 19, of Northridge, Calif., was chosen third out of Pierce Junior College. He struck out

100 batters in 59 innings and logged a 1.75 earned run average in American Legion competition.

Almquist will play with Tri-Cities at Kennewick, Wash., in the rookie Northwest League.

Joe Lasorsa, righthander from Alston, Mass., was named most valuable in the Greater Boston College League after averaging 13 whiffs per game for Boston University. The righthander is bound for Burlington, Iowa., in the Class A Midwest League.

Due to join Almquist at Tri-Cities is left-handed Bill Linehan, 18, who was named to the Eastern Massachusetts All-Star team after compiling a 10-1 record for Peabody (Mass.) High School.

He Quits A's, Plans Own Business Here

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Owner Charles O. Finley's cousin, Carl Finley, business manager of the Oakland Athletics for the past 6½ years, today acknowledged his resignation from the baseball club.

Carl Finley made official the resignation he submitted in mid-April, and said he will open his own public relations, advertising and marketing firm in Oakland.

"My decision was not reached out of any unhappiness with Charlie," he said.

"My experience with Char-

lie has always been very congenial, and I can only praise his efforts to acquire first-quality players and to produce a winning baseball team."

In length of continuous service, he had been with the Athletics organization longer than anyone in the front office.

Carl Finley went to work for his cousin in Kansas City late in 1962. He was the one the owner sent to Oakland two days after the American League approved transfer of the Athletics here in October 1967.

His resignation leaves only one person in the Athletics

front office who served in Kansas City. She is Carolyn Coffin, secretary to owner Finley.

Carl Finley said he sent his letter of resignation to his cousin in mid-April.

"But it was never announced," he said.

"At that time, Charlie wanted me to consider coming to Chicago to be in his insurance firm. I wanted to stay in Oakland, however.

"When the Athletics franchise was moved to Oakland, I came with the purpose of helping the club to settle

down. Then I was planning to return to Kansas City or my native Texas where I had received some business offers in event I should leave baseball.

"But, I have fallen in love with the Eastbay area and Northern California," he continued, "and I want to establish my residence here and take advantage of the tremendous opportunities which I feel exist in this area."

With the Athletics, Finley served over the years in a multitude of capacities — business manager, stadium

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manager, public relations director and publicity director.

"I am looking forward to watching the A's with a bag of peanuts and a hot dog from the bleachers rather than chewing my fingernails with the remainder of the front office staff," he remarked.

Carl Finley and Associates will be the name of Finley's new firm, which will be located in the Airport City Building, 320 Hegenberger Rd.

Several firms already have acquired the services of Finley's new firm, he said.

Finley, 45, a native of Dallas, Tex., taught journalism in the Dallas public schools for 13 years prior to joining the Athletics. He was also a high school administrator for two years.

FINAL (UNOFFICIAL) OAKLAND ATHLETICS MISCELLANEOUS

A'S VS. EAST

CLUB	HOME	ROAD	TOTAL
California	7-2	5-4	12-6
Chicago	6-3	4-5	10-8
Kansas City	4-5	6-3	10-8
Minnesota	3-6	2-7	5-13
Seattle	6-3	7-2	13-5
Totals vs. West	26-19	24-21	50-40

A'S VS. EAST

Baltimore	3-3	1-5	4-8
Boston	4-2	4-2	8-4
Cleveland	3-3	4-2	7-5
Detroit	3-3	2-4	5-7
New York	5-1	1-5	6-6
Washington	5-1	3-3	8-4
Totals vs. East	23-13	15-22	38-34

TOTALS VS. A.L. 49-32 39-42 88-74

INDIVIDUAL SEASON HIGHS

Most hits game	5-Jackson, Francona Bando (twice)
Most HR's game	3-Jackson
Most RBI's game	10-Jackson
Most SO's game pitcher	11-Lauzerique
Hitting streaks (games) (at bats)	16-Cater 7-Francona (2-BB)

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Home: 778,332 in 72 dates

Home single game high: 35,243

1968 Home: 837,538

A'S-OPPONENTS COMPARISON

	A'S(W)	OPP.(L)
rhp	54	44
lhp	34	30
day	37	39
night	51	35
home	49	32
road	39	42
hr home	77	73
hr road	74	89
dbl. hdrs.	5	13
dbl. plays	156	152
one-run games	28	24
extra innings	10	12
longest streaks	7	6

A'S TEAM SEASUN HIGHS

Most runs game	21
Most hits game	25
Most HR's game	4
Most Errors game	4
most SO's game	15
Most Runs inning	8
Most HR's inning	3(consecutive)
Longest game innings	18
Longest game time	5:17
Shortest game time	1:47

Road: 986,441 in 71 dates

Road single game high: 50,495

FINAL (UNOFFICIAL) OAKLAND ATHLETICS 1969 STATISTICS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SB</u>	<u>CS</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>HP</u>
BANDO	.282	162	607	108	171	25	3	31	114	111	81	1	4	14	0	12
BROOKS	.228	29	79	13	18	5	0	3	10	20	24	0	3	0	1-4	3
CAMPANERIS	.261	134	545	68	142	15	2	2	26	30	63	62	8	20	1-4	3
CATER	.262	153	584	64	153	24	2	10	76	28	38	1	4	9	1-9	2
DUNCAN	.124	60	129	11	16	3	0	3	22	19	40	0	0	4	0-4	0
FRANCONA	.337	32	86	12	29	6	1	3	20	12	10	0	0	2	3-10	0
GREEN	.274	130	485	61	133	25	6	12	65	54	93	2	4	9	1-4	8
HANEY	.193	74	145	11	28	7	0	4	19	13	28	1	1	1	0	1
HERSHEBERGER	.202	51	129	11	26	2	0	1	10	10	14	1	2	1	3-13	0
JACKSON	.273	152	549	123	150	36	3	47	118	111	142	13	4	11	1-2	12
JOHNSON	.348	50	66	3	23	1	0	1	10	3	4	0	0	0	13-38	1
KUBIAK	.249	94	305	38	76	9	1	2	27	24	34	2	0	9	2-11	1
(L)	.261	72	211	27	55	5	1	1	18	12	22	-	-	-	1-7	0
(R)	.223	48	94	11	21	4	0	1	9	12	12	-	-	-	1-4	1
MONDAY	.271	122	398	57	108	17	4	12	54	72	99	12	4	7	2-6	7
REYNOLDS	.254	107	315	51	80	10	0	2	19	33	29	1	3	4	6-19	8
RUDI	.189	33	122	9	23	3	1	2	6	6	16	1	1	3	1-4	0
ROOF	.236	106	246	18	58	6	1	2	19	32	56	1	0	8	0-1	4
TARTABULL	.263	72	266	30	70	10	1	0	11	9	11	3	4	1	2-11	0
TENACE	.158	16	38	1	6	0	0	1	2	1	15	0	0	0	0-5	1
WEBSTER	.263	63	76	5	20	0	1	1	13	12	8	0	0	0	10-37	1
TEAM TOTALS	.249	162	5615	745	1399	210	28	151	678	620	954	99	41	129	47-205	62

GRAND SLAMS (5): Monday (2)--in Oakland off Burbach; in Anaheim off Brunet
 Bando (2)--in Oakland off Brunet; in Boston off Roggenburk
 Cater (1)--in Oakland off Stange

INSIDE-THE-PARK: Jackson--in New York off Bahnsen

PINCH-HIT HOMERS (2): Reynolds (1)--in Oakland off Tiant
 Francona (1)--in Oakland off Wynne

<u>PITCHER</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>REL</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>BB-I</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>SV</u>
BLUE	1	1	6.64	12	4	0	8	42	49	31	34	18-0	24	13	1
DOBSON	15	13	3.82	35	35	11	0	235.1	243	100	110	80-2	138	16	0
FINGERS	6	7	3.71	60	8	1	52	119	114	49	59	46-3	63	13	11
HUNTER	12	15	3.38	38	35	10	3	248	211	93	99	83-2	147	34	0
KRAUSSE	7	7	4.44	42	15	4	27	140	137	69	75	46-8	83	0	7
LINDBLAD	9	6	4.07	60	0	0	60	79.2	72	36	37	33-6	61	9	9
LACHEMANN	4	1	3.74	28	0	0	28	43.1	43	18	23	18-0	16	1	3
LAUZERIQUE	3	4	4.70	20	8	1	12	61.1	58	32	32	27-0	39	13	0
PIZARRO	4	5	3.35	57	4	1	53	99.1	84	37	43	60-0	52	9	7
ODOM	15	6	2.94	32	32	10	0	229.1	178	75	87	109-4	147	15	0
NASH	8	8	3.67	25	19	3	6	115.1	112	47	53	29-3	72	17	0
SPRAGUE	1	0	4.70	27	0	0	27	46	46	24	24	30-3	17	4	3
ROLAND	5	1	2.19	40	3	2	37	86.1	61	21	24	46-2	49	2	1
TALBOT	6	10	4.37	48	8	1	40	144.1	158	70	77	54-5	85	12	1
OTHERS	0	1	3.58	4	0	0	4	10.1	13	3	4	6-0	5	0	1
A'S TOTALS	88	74	3.98	162	162	43	276	1381.1	1355	611	676	588-34	875	162	37

SHUTOUTS (14): Odom, Hunter (3); Krausse (2); Nash, Fingers, Dobson (1)
 Combined (3)--Lauzerique & Fingers; Nash & Fingers & Lindblad;
 Odom & Talbot (10 inns.)